

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-17. (Canceled)

18. (Currently Amended) A collapsible structure having a deployed configuration and a collapsed configuration, comprising:

a side member and a base member, each member including a portion of a foldable frame member that has a folded and an unfolded orientation, and a fabric material covering at least a portion of its frame member when the frame member is in the unfolded orientation, with each frame member forming a plurality of concentric rings when the frame member is in the folded orientation; [[and]]

the side member having a bottom side, and the base member having a first side, with the side member and the base member connected to each other adjacent the bottom side of the side member and the first side of the base member;

a first frame retaining sleeve for retaining the portion of the frame member for the side member, and a second frame retaining sleeve for retaining the portion of the frame member for the base member; and

wherein the side member lies in a first uninterrupted plane and the base member lies in a second uninterrupted plane, with the first and second planes extending at different angles.

19. (Canceled).

20. (Original) The structure of claim 18, wherein the side member and the base member are placed on top of each other when the structure is twisted and folded to its collapsed configuration.

21. (Original) The structure of claim 18, wherein the bottom side of the side member and the first side of the base member are hinged with respect to each other.

22. (Original) The structure of claim 18, further including means for interconnecting the bottom side of the side member and the first side of the base member.

23. (Currently Amended) The structure of claim ~~[[19]]~~ 18, wherein the first frame retaining sleeve is stitched along the bottom side of the side member to the second frame retaining sleeve along the first side of the base member to form a hinged connection.

24. (Currently Amended) A collapsible structure having a deployed configuration and a collapsed configuration, comprising:

a foldable side frame member and a foldable base frame member, each frame member has a folded and an unfolded orientation, and a fabric material covering at least a portion of its frame member when the frame member is in the unfolded orientation, with each frame member forming a plurality of concentric rings when the frame member in the folded orientation; and

the side frame member having a bottom side, and the base frame member having a first side, with the side frame member and the base frame member connected to each other adjacent the bottom side of the side frame member and the first side of the base frame member;

wherein the side frame member and the base frame member are separate from each other when the bottom side of the side frame member and the first side of the base frame member are connected.

25. (Original) The structure of claim 24, wherein the side frame member lies in a first uninterrupted plane and the base frame member lies in a second uninterrupted plane that are non-intersecting with respect to each other.

26. (Original) The structure of claim 24, further including a first frame retaining sleeve for retaining the side frame member, and a second frame retaining sleeve for retaining the base frame member.

27. (Original) The structure of claim 26, wherein the first frame retaining sleeve is stitched along the bottom side of the side frame member to the second frame retaining sleeve along the first side of the base frame member to form a hinged connection.